

MUCH COTTON IS
REQUIRED FOR TIRES

Nearly 4 per cent of the world's cotton production for 1929 will be used in

The 1950 production of tires in the United States should approximate 48,000,000 to equin nearly 1,500,000 new cars and to maintain about 7,000,000 now in operation.

Cotton promises to remain indefinitely as indispensable in tire making as rubber.

These startling figures are given by Robert H. Bernwell, manager of the cotton and fabric division of the Good Year Tire & Rubber company. He estimates that the only bar to further expansion of the domestic tire industry might possibly be the limit to fabrication capacity of yarn and cotton mills.

For motorcycle wonder how much

cotton goes into the manufacture of pneumatics. Tires now contain an average of four pounds—an increase

per pound, due to the increasing number of pneumatic truck tires, which require more cotton because of their resistance to wear. The cotton used is Egyptian or Egyptian cross. The larger companies use the best of the world's crops—the 1½-inch staple or better.

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